

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Toru SHIRASAKI

Serial No: 09/752,688

Filed: January 3, 2001

For: CONTAINER FOR FRAMED PELLICLE

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: Examiner: M. Patterson
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 22, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Rewrite claims 8-14 as follows:

8. (Amended) A container for a framed pellicle comprising a container base including a first ~~upper~~ surface area and a covering including ~~an inner~~ a surface mounted on said container base to form an inside space between said first surface area of said container base and said ~~inner~~ surface of said covering, and a framed pellicle disposed within said inside space and wherein said first surface area and said ~~inner~~ surface of said covering are formed of an inorganic material selected from the group consisting of metals, alloys, glass and ceramics.

9. (Amended) A container for a framed pellicle according to claim 8 in which said container base and said

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